

ClimateSmart Cities Assessment Framework 2.0

Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Hon'ble Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs (IC) in the presence of Sh. Durga Shanker Mishra, Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) and Sh. Kunal Kumar, Joint Secretary, MoHUA released the results of the Climate Smart Cities Assessment Framework (CSCAF) 2.0 on 25 June 2021 during the virtual sixth anniversary commemoration of Government Missions. The results have been compiled as the Cities Readiness Report (CRR) and made available on the newly launched Climate Centre for Cities' website. To view report click [here](#). Cities Readiness Report is an outcome of the assessment across five thematic areas involving the participation of 126 cities supported by climate alliance partners. This year, 9 cities – Ahmedabad, Indore, Pimpri Chinchwad, Pune, Rajkot, Surat, Vadodara, Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam out of all the participants received an honorable "Four Stars" rating based on the climate initiatives implemented by them. These are closely followed by 22 "Three Stars" cities that have successfully set up institutional mechanisms and initiated preparation of climate action plans. Not far behind are 64 "Two Stars" cities are conducting baselines climate assessments and 66 One Star cities are yet to initiate any climate actions. Among other initiatives C-Cube also launched the CDoT-Climate Data Observatory, a platform for cities to analyze and visualize their performance in the various thematic areas and indicators. It provides the cities with an option to compare their position with respect to the others along with several interactive features such as population and state filters which make it possible for cities to better analyze their status. Check out CDoT [here](#). In order to help cities understand their greenhouse gas emissions Climate Smart Cities Self-Assessment tool (CSC – SAT) based on the Global Protocol for Community-scale Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventories (GPC) is also available on the website. To explore the tool click [here](#).

The CSCAF 2.0 assessment indicates that cities have been able to showcase considerable progress since the first assessment conducted in 2019. Significant progress has been reported by cities specifically in the themes of urban planning, green cover and biodiversity; energy and green buildings; and waste management. This year, considerable number of cities have progressed to the performance level, which has not only been the outcome of climate actions but also a better collection and reporting of the existing data.



Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Hon'ble Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs (IC) releasing CSCAF 2.0 results



126 Cities participated in the CSCAF 2.0

PODCAST



Understanding the Future of Inclusive Cities

As National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) does the strategy launch of the Inclusive Centre for Cities, Climate Centre for Cities is glad to announce its new podcast on Understanding the Future of Inclusive Cities with Nupur Prothi Khanna. In this episode, she will help us better understand how cities are perceived by Children and what are its challenges in implementation. She also shares her process of designing the same.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



New website of Climate Centre for Cities (C-Cube)

Climate Centre for Cities' new website was launched by Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Hon'ble Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs (IC) on the occasion of 6th Anniversary of AMRUT, Smart Cities Mission, PMAY and 45th Anniversary of NIUA. The website is a one-stop-shop for all climate-related activities in Urban India. Check out tools, webinars, blogs, newsletters and podcasts for more updates. Check out CSCAF 2.0 results on the website.

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EVENT



Launch of Learning Series - 'Climate Change and Cities'

Aligning with the CSCAF 2.0, the C-Cube, NIUA in collaboration with the World Resources Institute (WRI) India is organizing a 10-part learning series on "Climate Change and Cities". The prime objective of the series is to develop common understanding of cities around climate change and the role of cities in mainstreaming climate action through policies and regulations, planning and implementation of programs and projects.

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Climate Change NEWS

Dozens of people have died in Canada amid an unprecedented heatwave that has smashed temperature records. Read more [here](#)

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"Germany applauds India for its leadership in making cities more climate-friendly and more resilient and the current pandemic has shown us how important that is. We are committed to continue supporting India's Urban Missions and its efforts to find green and sustainable solutions for rapidly growing Indian cities for the benefit of the people, nature and climate."

Dr. Antje C. Berger
Councillor, Climate & Environment
Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in India

